

CLAIMS

- [001] A coffee machine having a drawer (122, 210) which can be pushed into the coffee machine (110) in a substantially horizontal manner with the coffee pad inserted therein for supplying a coffee pad, characterised in that a coffee pad retainer (220) is located in the drawer (122, 210) and in the pushed-in state of the drawer (122, 210), can be displaced by a retaining device at least in a substantially vertical manner so that the coffee pad retainer (220) can be lifted by means of the retaining device and that a brewing chamber (330) surrounding the coffee pad is closed by lifting the coffee pad retainer (220).
- [002] The coffee machine according to claim 1, characterised in that the retaining device comprises two clamps (126, 128; 336, 338) which enclose the coffee pad retainer (220) on opposite sides, which can be lifted or lowered by means of a lever mechanism.
- [003] The coffee machine according to claim 2, characterised in that each clamp (126, 128; 336, 338) has a continuation at its lower end which applies an upwardly directed force to the coffee pad retainer (220) during lifting of the retaining device.
- [004] The coffee machine according to claim 3, characterised in that at least one of the clamps (126, 128; 336, 338) has a further continuation which applies a downwardly directed force to the coffee pad retainer (220) during lowering of the retaining device.
- [005] The coffee machine according to any one of claims 2 to 4, characterised in that the lever mechanism comprises a hand-operated lever (124) which is arranged on the upper side of the coffee machine (110).